

## MYSTERIOUS LADY IN BLACK GOWN.

Walks the Streets From Midnight Until Dawn.

GRAVEYARDS A FAVORITE HAUNT.

Left California in Search of a Man. Has Not Found Him. But She is Hopeful—Wants No Interference by Police Officers and Others.

Half of Honolulu has been excited at late over the appearance on the street late at night of a heavily veiled and black gowned woman. She has no apparent object in her midnight and after walks for she has not been known to travel in a locality that is much frequented at night.

Early last week she was met at the entrance to Nuuanu cemetery. Again she was met by a reporter for the Advertiser at 2 a. m. standing on the Wai-kahala bridge on School street. Friday morning between two and three o'clock the same reporter met her on King street near Richards. She was dressed in a neatly fitting suit of black and her face was entirely concealed under the folds of a crepe veil. An "aloha" to her brought no response but after she had passed she stopped and looked back. Sunday at one she was met at Fort and Beretania and two hours later she walked into town by way of King street.

It is reported that on another occasion she followed a gentleman and his wife for a long distance but when they stopped at their gate she walked out into the street as if to avoid being recognized. Inquiry at the police station as to whether any report had been made there by any of the patrolmen brought out but little information. The clerk found no record on the books but remembered one of the telephone line men coming in about two o'clock one morning and reported seeing her at the entrance to the Catholic cemetery a little while before. He was considerably worked up over it because he thought it was a man in disguise. If the clerk took any stock in the case he exhibited no signs of it to any of the officers.

This morning at 1 o'clock two members of the Advertiser staff started on a graveyard search for the mysterious woman.

King street to Punahou and Beretania from Punahou to Nuuanu as well as Thomas and Emma squares were gone over without finding her. A drive up Nuuanu resulted in finding the woman walking rapidly up that street in the direction of the cemetery. She was followed closely with the horse at a walk. At Judd street she paused, looked back and then took a seat on the veranda in front of a store kept by a Chinaman. A hundred feet toward the west of the reporters left the busy while the other drove on, passing the woman who sat there so closely veiled that a view of her features was not obtainable.

When the other reporter reached the store she was sitting with her head resting in her hands and in the shadow of the veranda roof. Believing the woman to be a Hawaiian the reporter said "aloha" but there was no response. A "good morning" had no better effect and then the reporter sat down on a bench that was a foot lower than he expected. The resounding thud awakened her from her reverie.

"I have seen you twice" she said, "now what do you want? You were in the park with another man a half hour ago. Looking for me? Well, now you've found me what do you want?" Warm chills chased each other up and down the reporter's anatomy in such rapid succession that he almost forgot what he was after. But finally he said in as gentle voice as possible: "Nothing particular only that your appearance on the street when everyone but policemen, butchers and drivers of milk wagons are asleep looks bad and there's a good deal of talk about it in society. If its insomnia or indigestion you'd better take something for it. On the other hand if its a story suited to the columns of the Advertiser let me have it and I will guarantee a position next alongside or following your return story. They are waiting my return now and I would like to have it before the paper goes to press at three o'clock."

As the woman made no sign while the reporter spoke his place he was given confidence in himself.

"There is no story to it," she replied. "It has come to my life as to other women of refined sensibilities and I am paying the penalty of my folly."

"This is good for the first page with a cut. You don't happen to have a photo with you; something in full length, representing you as having turned your back to the world? Thanks. The artist will fix this up so that it will please you. Pardon me for interrupting you. Spiel."

"I had a happy home in California near San Francisco, never mind the town, with the best parents possible; indulgent to a fault and my every whim humored. But when I grew beyond my happy girlhood a man whom my father respected much too much laid court to my hand. I rebelled but in an unguarded moment I weakened. Then my whole life went out to his and his to mine. But it was the old story. After he was sure of me he didn't want me. He grew lax in his attentions, finally he ceased altogether, and as I slumbered one night dreaming of the happiness that might have been mine he was gliding away from me on a 'Trisco freight'."

"The next day I learned of his departure and resolved to find him. I spent a month in San Francisco and

there learned that he had taken a sailing vessel for the islands. I took the first steamer and followed him. Many a time I have heard the clock strike two before he left my dear father's house. I know that if he has lady friends here on whom he inflicts his presence, he will not leave until the arrival of the milkman reminds him of the hour."

"But you are so often in the neighborhood of graveyards that you are attracting undue attention. You had better exercise a little caution; the police have been notified to look out for you and they may find you before you run up against your lover."

"I do not fear the policemen or anyone else. If I did I would not go around alone. No one bothers me because I wear black and stay out late. I won't harm anyone unless a man should offer me an insult. I might show my claws then. The police dare not touch me for I violate no law of the country and I am a respectable woman. When my mission is ended I will return to my home, not until then."

"Do you mind giving me your name, not necessarily for publication but as a guarantee of good faith?"

"Neither my name nor my story would be of interest to the public and I am not after notoriety. They tried it in San Francisco but I declined to fill up their papers. I want none of it here. Now you leave me for here comes a carriage; take it. My path is onward and upward. Good night!"

Since the publication of the story regarding the "Mysterious Woman in Black" in this paper on Monday last, at least a dozen persons have admitted seeing her in different parts of the city, generally walking rapidly and with no apparent destination or object.

Antone Seabury employed in the Bulletin office reports having seen her late Monday night at the corner of Liliha and School streets. She was standing on the corner looking into space. On Sunday morning, shortly after three a. m. while W. D. Alexander, Jr. was riding into town by way of King street, he met the woman in front of the Catholic cemetery.

He had heard nothing of her and was surprised to find a woman closely veiled on the street at that hour. The woman was leaning against a post and his horse shied. Alexander called out to her but she failed to answer and she walked rapidly towards town. About half past three a fireman on watch in front of No. 1 Engine house on King street saw her walk past and turn up Alakea street.

The most remarkable thing is that the woman has not been seen by any of the mounted patrolmen. Their beats extend on the outskirts in the localities she selects for her perambulations and yet she seems to dodge them as they come along. On King street she avoids the police by turning up Alakea street knowing that the blue-coats rarely go beyond Fort.

Some superstitious people believe the woman is something uncanny but her conversation with an Advertiser reporter on Monday morning proved her very much mortal. Several parties have been organized to go out this week, and if the woman is seen, to follow her at a distance and see where she goes and if possible ascertain where she lives. It is said that the woman has been seen as early as half past eleven walking through Thomas Square; it is possible she may remain there until early morning and then start on her rounds. There seems to be no doubt that her mission is affected and the belief is that her tale about having been forsaken is a bit of romance.

Yesterday the woman rode to Punahou in a Beretania street car shortly after two o'clock. When beyond Piliol street the woman began making inquiries of a young girl sitting next her as to who lived in the different residences in the neighborhood of Punahou street. On reaching the end of the line at the college she inquired particularly as to the names of the high hills at the back of the city. She also asked the girl to take a walk to the top of Punahou, but the invitation was declined, as the girl was on her way to visit her mother, who resides in the neighborhood.

The couple separated and an hour later the girl returned and found the woman still closely veiled, standing on the corner. "We meet again," said the woman. "How funny that I should see you so soon again. Now that you have seen your mamma, let us go up into the hills." The girl replied that the car would be along in a few minutes and they would not have time.

"Very well, then, we will see each other again some time and go to Diamond Head. You know I want to see everything, but the people here are afraid of me because I stay out late at night and wear black."

That girl suggested that it was not right for a lady to stay out at night alone.

"Oh, but I am looking for my husband, who left me in California, and I know he is going to see some one else, and I must find him. I do not get tired, even though I stay out sometimes until half past three in the morning."

In answer to the question as to the location of her home in Honolulu, the woman said it was up in Nuuanu avenue. The girl who conversed with the woman is employed as a child's nurse by L. W. Hough.

## Notice of Sale Under Decree of Foreclosure and Sale.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE First Judicial Circuit, Republic of Hawaii. In Equity.—S. M. DAMON, J. H. FISHER and H. E. WATY, Copartners under the first name of Bishop and Company, plainiffs, vs. GEORGE BROWN, Administrator with the will annexed of the Estate of said Walter Murray Gibson, deceased, under said will, and JANE WALKER, Executrix under the will of J. S. Walker, deceased, and H. E. McINTYRE, in his own behalf, and as Executor under the will of said J. S. Walker, TAULALA LUCY HAYSELDEN, and FREDERICK H. HAYSELDEN, her husband, WILLER'S STEAMSHIP COMPANY, a corporation; WALTER H. HAYSELDEN, LUCY T. HAYSELDEN, FREDERICK H. HAYSELDEN, Junior, a minor; DAYTON K. HAYSELDEN, a minor; and RACHEL K. HAYSELDEN, a minor, defendants.—Foreclosure Proceedings.

Pursuant to decree of foreclosure and sale made in the above entitled suit and Court, May 11th, A. D. 1896, notice is hereby given that the property hereunder described will be sold at public auction at the Court House (Alilioli Hale) in Honolulu, Island of Oahu, Hawaiian Islands, on WEDNESDAY, August 28th, at 12 o'clock Noon, said sale to be confirmed by said Circuit Court.

LIST OF THE PROPERTY.

(1) The following in said Honolulu located makai of the Executive Building, west of the Judiciary Building, adjoining the Opera House and having a frontage on King, Milani and Queen Streets, described as follows:

Frontage on King Street 161.5 feet; on west side of the Opera House 131.5 feet; on the rear (makai) end of the Opera House 79 feet; on Milani Street 261 feet; from the end of the Opera House to Queen Street; thence on Queen Street 242.5 feet; thence from Queen Street to King Street 282.5 feet with a right of way 10 feet wide from Richard Street into lot and containing an area of 169,125 sq. feet more or less. The aforesaid property consisting:

First.—Of all those parcels of land on King Street in Honolulu comprising the homestead of said W. M. Gibson mentioned in deed of Chas. T. Gulick, Administrator, dated January 8th, 1882, of record in Liber 70, folio 48.

Second.—That parcel of land in the rear of Music Hall in Honolulu, mentioned in deed of G. W. Keawemahiki to W. M. Gibson, dated Jan. 8th, 1884, of record in Liber 27, folio 228.

Third.—All those parcels of land on Queen Street in Honolulu, described in Royal Patent 6778, Apana 1, L. C. A. 8315 and in Royal Patent 3566, L. C. A. 6428B, mentioned in deed of A. J. Cartwright, Executor to W. M. Gibson, dated April 1st, 1886, of record in Liber 58, folios 184-196.

Fourth.—Those parcels of land on Queen Street in Honolulu, mentioned in mortgage from Kalo and Kalama to B. Borres, dated August 29th, 1878, of record in Liber 53, folios 450-452.

(2) Also: All the following property in Lahaina, Island of Maui:

First.—That parcel of land at Lahaina known as the Pa Halekamaui mentioned in deed of Emma Kalelealani and others to W. M. Gibson dated May 13th, 1884, of record in Liber 92, folio 62.

Second.—That parcel of land at Lahaina being a part of L. C. A. 2337 mentioned in deed from Kalo and Kalama to W. M. Gibson dated Nov. 4, 1879, of record in Liber 62, folio 102.

Third.—Those parcels of land at Lahaina described in L. C. A. 8198B, Royal Patent 1870, and in Royal Patent 1196.

(3) Also: All of the property on the Island of Lanai forming part of the Lanai Ranch, so-called, belonging to the Estate of W. M. Gibson, and consisting of the following property, to-wit:

LANDS IN FEE SIMPLE.

First.—All that tract of land, known as the Ahupua'a of Paawai, containing 3597 1/2 acres, described in Royal Patent No. 2689, and in deed from L. Halekama, Liber 18, folios 264 and 265.

Second.—All that tract of land known as the Ahupua'a of Kealahou, containing 1295 acres, described in Royal Patent 7144, conveyed to said W. M. Gibson by deed of J. O. Dominis, Guardian, dated March 9, 1887, of record in Liber 23, folio 167.

Third.—All that tract of land, known as the Ahupua'a of Maunaloa, containing 2423 acres, described in Royal Patent 6778, conveyed to said W. M. Gibson by deed of A. J. Cartwright, executor above named.

Fourth.—All that tract of land described in Royal Patent 3645, containing 122 acres, conveyed to said W. M. Gibson by deed of William Beder, dated September 27, 1875, of record in Liber 43, folio 339.

Fifth.—All of those tracts of land described in Royal Patent 3628, containing an area of 236.56 acres, and all the title conveyed by deed of Kelihiine and others to W. M. Gibson, dated August 20, 1876, of record in Liber 46, folio 339, and in deed of Kelihiine to W. M. Gibson, dated December 7, 1877, of record in Liber 51, folio 263, and in deed from Kealahou to W. M. Gibson, dated August 23, 1876, of record in Liber 46, folio 325.

Sixth.—All those parcels of land conveyed to said W. M. Gibson by deed of Uliana Paahoa and another, dated November 27, 1887, recorded in Liber 116, folio 33, and described in Land Commission Award 8556, Royal Patent 3157, containing 38 acres of land.

Seventh.—All that land described in Royal Patent Grant 2403, containing 52 7/10 acres, conveyed to W. M. Gibson, by deed dated 24th, April 24, 1894, recorded in Liber 29, folio 24.

Eighth.—All that land described in Land Commission Award 3417 B, conveyed by Kamaka and others to W. M. Gibson by deed dated March 7, 1895, recorded in Liber 19, folio 74.

Ninth.—All that land described in Land Commission Award 10,008, containing 772 1/10 acres, conveyed by Kalo to W. M. Gibson, by deed dated June 2, 1893, of record in Liber 15, page 67.

Tenth.—All that land described in L. C. A. 4317, conveyed by Mahoo and others to W. M. Gibson, by deed dated January 30, 1897, and recorded in Liber 24, folio 26.

Eleventh.—All that land described in Royal Patent 4796 conveyed by Keawemahiki and Wahie to W. M. Gibson, by deed dated June 25, 1874, of record in Liber 36, folio 26.

Twelfth.—All that land described in Royal Patent No. 4797, L. C. A. 10,041, conveyed by John S. Gibson to W. M. Gibson, by deed dated July 17, 1875, of record in Liber 41, folio 42.

Thirteenth.—All that land described in Royal Patent 303, to Kaaina conveyed by E. Kaaina to W. M. Gibson, by deed dated May 25, 1885, recorded in Liber 56, folio 129.

Fourteenth.—All other lands on said Island of Lanai of which the said W. M. Gibson was seized, possessed or entitled to on the 14th day of August, 1892, and the 31st day of August, 1897.

LEASEHOLDS.

First.—Lease No. 157 from the Hawaiian Government of Poasua containing 3675 acres, and of Kamao, containing 2361 acres, expiring January 1, 1916, annual rental \$500, payable semi-annually in advance.

Second.—Lease No. 198 of Kealia, Apana, containing 4900 acres, expiring June 25, 1906, annual rental \$150, payable semi-annually in advance.

Third.—Lease No. 229 Mahana, contain-

ing 7973 acres, expiring November 1, 1907, annual rental \$100, payable semi-annually in advance.

Fourth.—Lease No. 279 of Kamola, containing 7860 acres, expiring February 9, 1907, annual rental \$250, payable semi-annually in advance.

Fifth.—All other leaseholds on the Island of Lanai, held by W. M. Gibson on the 31st day of August 1897, so far as the same may be assigned without incurring any forfeiture.

PERSONAL PROPERTY.

As follows: The sheep, cattle and horses belonging to the said estate of W. M. Gibson departing on said Island of Lanai, numbering 24,000 sheep, more or less, 550 cattle, more or less, 200 horses, more or less; also all wool presses, wagons, carts, harnesses, tools, implements, chattels, household furniture and effects belonging to the estate of W. M. Gibson, situated on said Island of Lanai.

(4) OTHER PROPERTY.

First.—Mortgage from Kia Nahaolelua to said W. M. Gibson, dated March 15, 1887, of record in Liber 108, folios 55-57, to secure the sum of \$1000, and also the note and debt secured thereby.

Second.—Mortgage from Kalo and Kalama to Mrs. B. Borres, dated August 29, 1878, of record in Liber 53, folios 450-2, to secure the sum of \$800, and also the note and debt secured thereby, assigned to W. M. Gibson by assignment of record in Liber 105, folio 129.

TERMS OF SALE, ETC.

The property comprising the Lanai Ranch will be sold as a whole after the Maui and Honolulu properties.

The land of Kalo and the Island of Lanai, now held by the estate of W. M. Gibson as tenant-at-will, will be turned over to the purchaser of the Lanai property, without charge.

All purchases at the above sale to be cash in U. S. Gold Coin. Deeds at the expense of the purchaser.

Maps of the property to be sold can be seen at the Hawaiian Safe Deposit and Investment Company, 408 Fort street, Honolulu, and for further information apply to the undersigned.

P. C. JONES, Receiver, Office with the Hawaiian Safe Deposit and Investment Company, Dated Honolulu, May 25, 1896.

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